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'Big Business' Lobby Against Tax-Rich Bill To Be Investigated

U. E. Beach, securities manager for Associated Gas & Electric Co., is shown as he testified before the Senate lobby investigating committee. He admitted that he gave orders for the destruction of records pertaining to his company's lobbying activities against the holding company bill.

100 'Identical' Letters Sent to G.O.P. Senator

Probe of Organized Drives Against Other Laws Indicated; Methods Assailed.

WASHINGTON—The Senate lobby investigation was broadened yesterday to include an inquiry into charges that "big business" campaigned to defeat President Roosevelt's wealth-tax legislation.

Chairman Hugh L. Black of the special lobby committee said he would "look into" charges a powerful drive had been organized to influence senators and representatives to vote against levies proposed in the new program.

Black indicated that he not only would go fully into the lobby against utilities legislation, but also would inquire into reports that lobbyists attempted to influence lawmakers against the agriculture adjustment act, the Guffey coal bill and the Tennessee Valley authority.

Ickes Renews Charges

New charges preferred by Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes against power lobbyists sent House and Senate investigating committees into a race to expose more about the men who would influence congressional deliberations.

Ickes charged that "some central source" instigated the public utilities fights in 22 court suits against municipal power plants financed with public works funds.

Rep. John J. O'Connor (D.-N. Y.), heading the House investigation, said he intended to disclose the facts concerning charges that power interests had directly influenced congressmen.

Received Identical Letters

Black determined to inquire into activities relating to the tax program after Senator Daniel O. Hastings (R-Del), charged in a Senate speech that he received more than 100 "identical" letters "written on the same typewriter" opposing the proposed levies. The documents were turned over to lobby investigators at the suggestion of Senator Robert M. LaFollette (P.-Wis.).

Before starting testimony on other New Deal measures, however, the committee planned to complete its investigation of the campaign against the Wheeler-Rayburn holding company dissolution bill.

Call Utility Executives

The vast Associated Gas & Electric Co. has admitted spending $700,000 to fight the legislation. Another $301,000 was spent by the committee of public utility executives.

Although members declined to discuss their next move, it was learned an effort would be made to determine how far A. G. E. officials went to destroy all records relating to their campaign. The committee already has heard of wholesale destruction by agents in more than 60 branch offices of the company's securities department.

Who Will Pay Bill?

Black also wants to determine whether consumers ultimately will have to pay the bill for the company's campaign against the utilities legislation.

Senator Ernest W. Gibson (R.-Vt.), declared angrily as the inquiry adjourned Friday that the concern had paid no dividends to common stockholders for years, yet had "taken the good part of a year's dividends" to finance its fight against the bill.

Modern lobbying methods of business drew the fire of Senator Schwellenbach (D.-Wash.) Saturday.

Schwellenbach said his observations as a member of the Senate committee have convinced him that although "business interests decided to be clean and honorable in their lobbying, they can't get away from their old habits."

Cites "Old Method"

"The old method of lobbying," he added, "consisted of bribery, blackmail and entertainment. That was abandoned for the modern method of really trying to ascertain public sentiment, and representing it to members of Congress.

"But this investigation already has shown the unfair methods used, the fake telegrams with names taken from city directories, the millions spent to deceive us on the utility bill.

"I have no objection to legitimate lobbying. It is extremely desirable to learn both sides of any questions, and to know what the people want, but these methods make that impossible."

Nazi Campaign Gains Impetus; War Vets Hit

Catholic Priests to Be Under Close Watch Today; Attacks on Jews Grow.

BERLIN—The Nazi campaign against "reactionaries" swept through Germany with increasing impetus Saturday, its chief victims being the Jews, Catholics and war veterans.

The Steel Helmets, war veterans organization, joined the list of so-called "foes of the Nazi state" Saturday along with various other "subversive" elements as the government pushed a determined drive to make National Socialism the faith and religion of Germany.

Other Developments

The day's developments included:

1. Julius Streicher, leading Jew-baiter and publisher of the bitterly anti-Semitic newspaper "Stuermer," announced he himself would head the drive to oust all Jews from Berlin or segregate them in ghettos.

2. A decree issued by the ministry of the interior warned Catholic priests to take care in what they said from their pulpits Sunday concerning the Nazi drive against "political Catholicism." Prosecutors were told "quick proof of misdeeds must be followed by even quicker punishment." Wholesale arrests of clergymen were predicted.

Dissolve Vets Group

3. While Minister of Labor Franz Seldte, founder and leader of the Stahlhelm, tried frantically to contact Adolf Hitler, reported "out of the country," it was said secret police who Friday dissolved the veterans organizations in Thuringia and parts of Silesia would strike next at Schleswig and Mecklenberg. A sweeping order abolishing the Stahlhelm was expected.

4. Secret police abolished the international organization of cabaret, vaudeville and circus artists—bringing them into the scope of the far-flung cleanup movement—because "subversive elements" allegedly were included in it.

Vatican Protest

5. The papal nuncio, Cesare Orsenigo, visited the Wilhelmstrasse where, Catholic circles said, he filed the Vatican's second protest of the week against the anti-Catholic drive.

With der fuehrer himself believed to be cruising off the coast of Norway, the drive against "Nazi enemies" sped forward with unrelenting vigor reminiscent of the infernal bitterness which developed into the June "blood bath" of one year ago.

Sunday's sermons in Catholic churches were awaited with anxiety, for Catholics were the center of Saturday's attacks.

Saturday's decree constituted virtual warning that Nazi authorities would sit in congregations armed with orders to arrest and charge with treason anyone thought to besmirch Nazism. It was expected, therefore, that vocal protests would be few, the more so since the annual conference of bishops at Fulda four weeks hence is expected to lay down definitely the church's policy.

Issues Warning to Jews

Rober Wagner, governor of Baden, warned Jews to "beware of provocation" in an effort to "appear as martyrs in the eyes of the world," and admonished party members to ignore such attempts, calling police instead.

Motor lorries filled with police rolled along beside Nazis who baited Jews on the Kurfuerstendamm, reportedly there at the orders of Count Von Helldorf, Berlin's new police head who is an avowed anti-Semite.

Word from the provinces said more and more towns and villages were barring Jews from bathing places and other public establishments.

For intimacy with Aryan women in 13 separate cases the secret police Saturday sent Julius Cohen, wealthy Jewish wool merchant, to a Nazi concentration camp. He was charged with "racial insults" for his relations with non-Jewish women.

PUSH NAZI DRIVE

Count Wolf von Helldorf, top, has been appointed chief of police in Berlin to direct the drive against Jews. He is violently anti-Semitic. Hans Kerrl, below, has been appointed minister without portfolio to secure rigid enforcement of decrees directed at "political Catholicism."

Russia Handed Curt Jap Note

Tension Grows as Tokyo Bluntly Denies Moscow's Charges.

TOKYO (UP) Soviet-Japanese tension increased last night after the foreign office, replying to Russian protests against alleged Japanese violations of the Manchukuo-Siberian frontier, failed to give Moscow satisfaction.

"The Japanese government fails to comprehend the real Soviet motive for directing abuse against the acts of Japanese authorities in Manchukuo," the sharp note to the Moscow commissariat for foreign affairs said.

"The Japanese government fails to understand why the Soviets sought to attract wide public attention by giving sensational publicity to exaggerated misinformation."

Seven Recent Incidents

Expressing regret for the Soviet attitude over seven recent frontier incidents the foreign office categorically denied every allegation made in the Soviet complaint—the most severe Moscow note delivered in Tokyo in two years.

Meanwhile, Manchukuo lodged protests with the Soviet consulate at Harbin protesting alleged firing by Soviet troops on a Manchukuo vessel on the Amur river on July 9.

Makes Blunt Denial

Japan bluntly told Moscow no armed Japanese units ever have crossed the Soviet frontier. Soviet troops were held responsible for the death of one of their own soldiers. Japanese troops, the reply said, returned fire in June only when Soviet patrols illegally operating inside the borders of Manchukuo disregarded a Japanese request to cease firing.

Dealing with incidents involving navigation of border streams Japan insisted upon the right of Manchukuo vessels to sail upon the Amur and upheld the right of such ships to return fire if fired upon from river banks by Soviet patrols or outposts.

Peoria Slayer Slated to Face Trial Monday

Guards Say Thompson Showing Fear of Mob Action; Attorneys to Seek Delay.

PEORIA (UP) Gerald Thompson, sex-mad youth and confessed sadist who caused near mob violence by stories of his vicious attacks on numerous young women, goes on trial Monday for the murder of 19 years old Mildred Hall mark.

Possibility that the strong resentment of the townsfolk, who threatened to lynch him when he was arrested, would hamper selection of a jury was expressed by attorneys.

Guards in the cell block where Thompson is held said that he showed fear of mob action. Extra forces of sheriff's deputies have been hired to protect him.

Admitted Crime

Thompson was arrested five days after Mildred's half-nude body was found in a ravine in Springdale cemetery on the morning of June 17.

He at first denied all knowledge of the killing but finally admitted the crime and told a lurid story of his many conquests of young girls and married women through special strangle holds he protected as his own "technique."

Although defense plans have been kept secret it is expected that Attorney Ben Thurman will fight against admission of the confession obtained from Thompson by police through use of a "lie detector."

May Keep Diary Out

Possibility that the state would be blocked in its attempt to introduce the diary in which Thompson listed 16 conquests and attempts on 67 women, is expected. Many of the girls were forced to pose nude in front of the headlights on the killer's car while he took pictures with which he threatened them if they "talked." The diary is expected to be excluded unless the defense offers character witnesses.

It was indicated defense attorneys would attempt to prove that Thompson was a weakling and suffered from tuberculosis and could not have overcome Mildred. Attorney Thurman announced that he would ask for a continuance at the opening of the trial Monday.

Thompson's mother, Mrs. Charles Whiteside, who is in a hospital suffering from a nervous breakdown, will be unable to attend the trial.

Woman, 50, Offered Chance to Get Rich; Accepts, Loses $300

CHICAGO (UP) Mrs. Mary McKisinew, 50, met two nice gentlemen who told her they knew of a rich old man who wanted to give away a lot of money.

"We can fix it so you'll get the money," one of them assured her. "But you must put up some money as a token of responsibility."

Mrs. McKisinow told police she put up $300. She put her money in a wallet with their money, part of the prize she was to get, and she was to keep the pocketbook "until tomorrow."

This story comes out just like you thought it would.

Stolen Bonds Discovered in Farm Mail Box

Securities Taken in Effingham County Hold-up Recovered Near Vandalia.

By Staff Correspondent.

VANDALIA—Stolen bonds valued at $24,300 were discovered Saturday in a mailbox on the Charles Evans farm five miles east of here. Authorities said the bonds were those stolen from the home of Frank Bissing, near Altamont last Sunday.

The bonds were found by Omar Shepley, tenant on the Evans farm, when he went to the mailbox at 1 p. m. Saturday. The securities were in a package under the Shepley family's personal mail. The package was tied with string.

Notifies Sheriff

Mr. Shepley reported the find to his landlord and Mr. Evans notified Sheriff Fred Morrison of Fayette county. The bonds were brought to Vandalia and later taken to Effingham county and turned over to authorities there.

According to Mail Carrier Frank Hazenfield the package containing the bonds was in the mailbox when he made his rounds at 11 a. m. Mrs. Shepley said the package was not there the day before.

Believe Thieves Scared

Authorities were inclined to the belief that the trio of robbers who held up the Bissing family became frightened and placed the bonds in the mailbox where they could be easily found. Fingerprints are to be taken from the package in which the securities were found. No other evidence which might lead to apprehension of the thieves was obtained at the Shepley mailbox it was said.

Last Sunday, three unmasked robbers invaded the Bissing home, in the Bethlehem community five miles south of Altamont, and threatened to torture Mr. Bissing, aged 80, by lighting a heating stove to which he was tied, if he did not hand over the bonds. After securing the bonds, the robbers warned the Bissing family not to notify police on penalty of death.

The robbery was not reported until Tuesday. Effingham authorities at that time announced that $14,000 in bonds had been stolen from the Bissing home. Of the securities taken, $4,000 worth were said to be negotiable. The securities were registered.

Hot Wave Takes Toll of 140 in Midwest, East

Thundershowers Give Relief in Scattered Areas; No Relief Before Monday.

(By United Press)

A sultry blanket of heat closed down over sections of America Saturday causing extensive suffering and tremendous loss of life. Little relief before Monday was forecast.

A survey of the affected areas showed the death toll attributed directly and indirectly to the heat is 141.

Temperatures from the Atlantic to the Mississippi generally were in the 90's but in spots the backbone of the smothering heat was broken by thunderstorms.

Lightning Kills Seven

These only served to bring suffering in a different form. Seven deaths were blamed to lightning. In Chicago a thunderstorm sent the mercury down from its peak of 86 but torrents of rain, cyclonic winds and violent bursts of lightning accompanied the cooler weather.

Five of the deaths attributed to electrical storms were reported from Albany; two from Pittsburgh.

Weather observers said the blanket of heat gradually is moving eastward. It was 10 degrees cooler in Chicago Saturday than Friday. In Milwaukee it was 96 Friday and 88 Saturday. Other Saturday temperatures: Washington 95, Cleveland 94, Pittsburgh, Columbus, St Paul 90, Kansas City 92, Detroit 86.

It's The Humidity

Weather experts said the temperatures so far this year have been lower than during the drouth of 1933 and 1934 but because of excessive moisture the humidity has made the heat much harder to bear.

At Freeport, Ill., a herd of 20 heat-tortured cows stampeded while being driven to the barn, crashed through fences and plunged over a 50-foot precipice to get to the water in a shallow stream. Several of the animals were killed and others were injured.

In Washington where one giant government building after another has been equipped with air conditioning apparatus, there was danger of a water shortage. Authorities explained that the requirements of the air-conditioning systems put a heavy burden on the available supplies.

Heavy Rainstorm Strikes St. Louis

ST. LOUIS (AP) Airplanes were grounded, traffic snarled, and streets turned into miniature rivers when heavy rainfall drenched the city and county of St. Louis late Saturday afternoon. No injuries were reported.

Sharp flashes of lightning caused temporary power line failures and a moderately strong wind accompanied the storm. A precipitation of one-and-a-half inches was recorded during a 50-minute period at the government weather bureau at Lambert-St. Louis flying field.

Lightning Kills Four on Beach

NEW YORK (AP) A bolt of lightning flashed down on crowded Brighton beach Saturday, killing four bathers and rendering four more unconscious.

Those killed were Dr. Joseph Borak, Joseph Harris, 40, his son, Barnett Harris, 15, and Marvin Chesmer, all of Brooklyn. The injured were Russell de Shant, whose legs were paralyzed, Emil Graezon, Ruth Honig and Alice Beer.

A storm broke as thousands jammed Brighton and adjoining beaches seeking relief from the heat.

Mexico Shuts Game Casinos

President Cardenas' Order Hits Agua Caliente and Tiajuana.

AGUA CALIENTE (UP) Roulette wheels, black jack games and dice boxes ran at a dizzy pitch Saturday night, with all gambling ordered stopped at 6 a. m. Sunday by order of President Lazaro Cardenas of Mexico.

Managers of the local resort and at Tiajuana said the order came from Cardenas through Governor Augustine Olachea of Lower California.

A. V. Aldrete, manager of the Agua Caliente hotel, said the pretentious Agua Caliente Jockey club would close horse racing with running of the final race Sunday.

Aldrete also said all gambling in the hotel would close after last night.

Employes Protest

While operators prepared to halt their games, 1,500 persons employed in the two cities made plans for formal protests to President Cardenas. The entire group will be without employment if gambling is halted, it was said.

Governor Olachea accepted the order calmly.

National Drive

More than 600 horses, here for the three day week-end summer race meetings will be stranded by the closing order.

The order, it was reported, is the result of a nationwide campaign by Cardenas to end gambling in Mexico.

The closing order was the second blow felt by border operators, resort officials said. Repeal of prohibition in the United States, they said, had affected materially their business here, and forced establishment of the Tiajuana "free zone" in an attempt to build up sales.

Stages Fight With Hubby; Pulls Fire Alarm, Is Arrested

NEW YORK (AP) It wasn't that Mrs. Grace Fisher mistook the fire alarm box for a mailbox, or anything as hackneyed as that.

It was simply, she told Magistrate Anna M. Kross today, that she and her husband were having a fight, her husband raised his arm as if to hit her, she ducked, lost her balance and grabbed the fire alarm handle to keep from falling.

Along came three engine companies, two hook and ladder companies, a salvage corps patrol, two police radio cars, three battalion chiefs and a patrolman who arrested her.

The magistrate paroled her in custody of her husband pending a further hearing.

Surgeons Operate to Halt Man's Shrinking

MINNEAPOLIS (UP) A shrunken little man closed his eyes at University hospital here last night and prayed that the skill of modern surgery might restore him to his normal stature.

Hans Nelson, 52, Minneapolis painter, was operated upon in the hope of halting a strange quirk of nature which has resulted in taking 10½ inches from his height.

Surgeons studied his case for months. Then they reached the conclusion that Nelson possessed an over-active parathyroid gland. They removed the gland.

At the hospital no predictions were made that the operation would result in restoration of Nelson's height but it was believed the shrinking will be halted.

Inspector Blamed for Deaths of Nine Miners

Union Charges Failure to Provide Gas Protection

PAINTSVILLE, Ky. (UP) A warrant charging State Mine Inspector John F. Daniel of Lexington with the deaths of nine men who lost their lives in a mine explosion at Van Lear Wednesday was filed with County Judge H. R. Conley here last night.

The warrant, signed by John R. Mollette, secretary of the United Mine Workers union at Van Lear, accused Daniel of failure to provide protection against gas in the No. 5 mine of the Consolidated Coal Co., where the explosion trapped the nine men almost two miles underground.

According to the charges, the miners had requested equipment which would protect them against gas in the mine. Mollette said they refused to work for a whole day recently but were ordered back into the mine by Daniel.

"Wise" to Swindlers' Tricks, Falls for One

Knife-opening Stunt Costs Man His Suitcase

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UP) Dorsey Boswell knew all about swindler's tricks from coin matching to card games, so when two strangers offered to take him for a sight seeing trip he was on his guard.

Boswell told the strangers that he was from Winder, Ga., and was en route to Salt Lake City. He commented on the necessity of guarding against confidence men and the strangers agreed.

One of the strangers drew a large knife from his pocket, saying:

"Here's what I'd give swindlers."

"Let's see that knife," Boswell asked.

"Its hard to open," the stranger warned.

Boswell tugged at the blade, broke a fingernail and finally swung it open. Then he closed it again.

The stranger said the knife had been sticking lately and then tugged unsuccessfully at it.

"Let me show you how," Boswell suggested.

"No, you can't get it now," the stranger said.

There was further good natured wrangling and Boswell bet his suitcase against $5, that he could open the knife.

But he couldn't. Police told him it's a new swindle.

Roosevelt Cruises Down Chesapeake

WASHINGTON (UP) President Roosevelt was aboard the government yacht Sequoia Saturday on a weekend cruise down Chesapeake bay. He planned to return to Washington late Sunday.

The President and a small party motored to Annapolis, Md., Friday night to board the yacht. The weekend, it was indicated, will be devoid of political conferences.

If Mr. Roosevelt desires to discuss legal aspects of the New Deal, now under attack in courts throughout the country, Attorney General Homer S. Cummings will be present.

Besides Mr. and Mrs. Cummings, the President was accompanied by Franklin, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. James Roosevelt, and Miss Marguerite Lehand, his secretary.

Stabs Girl to Death; Claims 'Suicide' Pact

CHICAGO (UP) As she lay in his arms begging him to kiss her, Joseph Gornik killed his sweetheart by plunging his pocket knife into her left breast, he told police Saturday.

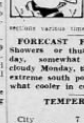
Faced with a murder charge, Gornik, 21, insisted that he stabbed 19 years old Mae Lukavich in a suicide pact, but that the dying girl was too weak to inflict a fatal wound upon himself.

Parental objection to their love led the couple to despair according to the confession.

Police scoffed at Gornik's story.

The Weather

Weather outlook for the period of July 22 to July 27:



For the region of the Great Lakes—Temperatures normal or above for the most part. Local showers on several days during week.

For the upper Mississippi and lower Missouri valleys and the northern and central great plains—temperatures mostly above normal in south portions and near normal in north portions; local showers in most sections various times during week.

FORECAST FOR ILLINOIS—Showers or thunderstorms Sunday, somewhat warmer; partly cloudy Monday, thundershowers in extreme south portion, with somewhat cooler in central and north.

TEMPERATURES

City	7 p. m.	High Sat	Low Fri.
New York	74	90	68
Miami	80	84	80
Chicago	76	86	73
Memphis	90	94	78
Omaha	92	94	72
Helena	74	74	54
Los Angeles	70	80	60
Winnipeg	74	82	70

Conferees Fight Over Social Security Bill

WASHINGTON (AP) Administration leaders in Congress expressed confidence Saturday that the Roosevelt social security program would pass without the Clark amendment exempting private pension systems, in view of the overwhelming House vote against the proposal.

With that vote behind them, House conferees were prepared to enter the new negotiations determined not to yield. They felt that if the Senate would take the question back for a new vote, the amendment would be rejected. Senator Clark (D-Mo.), author of the amendment, was determined, however, to fight for it.

Though there was some talk of compromise, informed senators did not believe that one would be reached.

Sister of Mexican Leader Is Kidnaped

MEXICO CITY (AP) Kidnapers held Matilde Torres, sister of the acting governor of Durango, last night in what the state official asserted was an effort to force modification of anti-religious policies.

A dispatch to the newspaper El Sia quoted the acting-governor Enrique Torres Sanchez, as saying, however:

"I declare I will be inflexible in the fulfillment of my duty and will inforce all laws, including those governing religious worship."

Torres was quoted as saying he feared the girl, who disappeared Thursday night, had been really kidnaped "to serve as an instrument for rebels opposing the religious laws with the intention of making me change my conduct."

Disabled Vets Urge National Lottery Plan

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (UP) A resolution suggesting a national lottery under government sponsorship was introduced last night at the convention of the Disabled American Veterans.

The resolution provided for a sweepstakes with 10 per cent of the proceeds set aside for the government, 40 per cent for the promoters and 50 per cent to the D. A. V.

IF YOU LOSE SOMETHING

If you lose some article of value today, remember that you can place your "lost" ad for publication in Monday's papers by calling Classified between 6 and 8 p. m. Sunday.

It is to your advantage to get your lost ad in the paper, so that the finder may read it at the first possible moment.

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Britain's Jubilee Ended With Parade

LONDON (UP) Twenty thousand foot and mounted police from all parts of the island kingdom paraded past King George and Queen Mary in Hyde park last night, bringing to an end the royal jubilee celebrating their majesties coronation.

Lions Club Members Flock to Mexico City

MEXICO CITY (UP) Members of Lions International, the vanguard of 5,000 expected to attend the annual convention beginning here Tuesday, began arriving Saturday.

Twelve special trains, bringing delegates from the United States, Cuba, Canada, Hawaii and China, are due Sunday and Monday.

STUDENT PILOT KILLED

TULSA, Okla. (UP) Lee M. Beall, 38, contractor and student pilot, was killed today when his parachute failed to open after he leaped from a plane at an altitude of 1,000 feet.

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